

News Superpowers discuss radar

AMMAN (R) — U.S. and Soviet arms experts Monday discussed a disputed radar complex in Siberia which is hampering progress in talks on reducing strategic nuclear weapons, a U.S. official said. William Burns, director of the arms control and disarmament agency, headed a U.S. delegation of technical experts while Viktor Karpov, a senior Soviet arms control official, led the Soviet team in the closed-door meeting. The radar installation at Krasnoyarsk has been at the center of a nearly two-year-old dispute between the superpowers, slowing efforts to have their long-range nuclear arsenals. President Reagan, in a speech in Los Angeles last Friday, repeated the U.S. position that the complex violated the Anti-Ballistic Missile (ABM) Treaty. The 1972 pact bars the two sides from deploying nationwide defenses against strategic missiles or building bases for setting up such systems. He called for the Krasnoyarsk complex to be dismantled and for the transmitter and receiving buildings to be destroyed before any new arms control accords would be concluded.

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AROUND THE WORLD...

Kibli seeks Djibouti support over Lebanon

DJIBOUTI (R) — Arab League Secretary General Chadli Kibli asked Djibouti President Hassan Gouled Monday to back calls for urgent Arab efforts to end the crisis in Lebanon. Kibli, on a tour of Arab states to canvas support for such efforts, arrived in Djibouti Sunday night and flew on to Sudan after his talks with Gouled.

Oman, South Yemen sign pact

BAHRAIN (R) — Leaders of Oman and South Yemen signed a cooperation accord Monday aimed at ending 20 years of border hostilities, the Oman News Agency reported. Oman's Sultan Qaboos Ibn Said and President Haider Abu Baker Al Attas of South Yemen signed the wide-ranging accord in the Omani border town of Shabashar, said the agency.

Laurence Olivier hospitalised

BRIGHTON (AP) — Laurence Olivier, celebrated as Britain's greatest actor, has been admitted to a hospital with an undisclosed illness, the hospital said Monday. The 81-year-old stage and screen actor was in "comfortable and stable" condition at Royal Sussex County Hospital in the south England resort of Brighton, a spokeswoman said. She said Olivier's family had asked the hospital not to reveal any details of his illness.

Thousands mourn Sri Lankan student

COLOMBO (R) — Thousands of people attended the funeral Monday of a Sri Lankan student activist whose torture-killing has become a focus of anti-government protest. Shops and offices in Colombo closed early as the funeral procession left Colombo medical college, where 24-year-old Pathumairi Thirumawithana had been a second-year student. Thousands of people filed past the coffin containing Thirumawithana's remains. All that was visible of the corpse was a hideously disfigured face. Student leaders said post mortem on Thirumawithana and two other victims had revealed they were tortured before death. Fingernails had been torn out, bones broken and their bodies lacerated. They were also shot.

Indian troops kill top Tamil rebel

COLOMBO (R) — Indian troops shot dead a top Tamil guerrilla during searches for rebels in eastern Sri Lanka Monday, residents said. They said "Francis," political leader of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam in Batticaloa, was killed when soldiers stormed his home at Kallar.

Quake injures at least 10 in Algiers

ALGIERS (AP) — An offshore earthquake rattled Algiers and surrounding towns Monday morning, wrecking a school and injuring at least 10 children, officials said. Preliminary information indicated the quake, which struck at 11:14 a.m. (1014 GMT), measured 5.4 on the Richter scale. Algeria's Centre for Research in Astronomy, astrophysics and geophysics said in a statement. The epicentre was put about 50 kilometres north of the capital in the Mediterranean Sea. The earthquake lasted about 10 seconds.

Austrian president arrives in Kuwait

KUWAIT (AP) — Austrian President Kurt Waldheim arrived to a red carpet welcome Monday on a three-day state visit, the first to the country by an Austrian head of state. Waldheim was scheduled for talks with the emir, Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmad Al Sabah, who welcomed him at the airport with a 21-gun salute.

Syrian, Lebanese policeman wounded

BEIRUT (AP) — Unidentified gunmen fired at a checkpoint manned by both Lebanese policemen and Syrian troops Monday. Police said one Syrian soldier and a Lebanese policeman were wounded. They said the incident occurred in the morning near the Hussein Ibn Ali Vocational Centre in south Beirut's Bir Al Abed district, which is controlled by the pro-Iranian Hezbollah.

Papandreou's friend get divorce

ATHENS (AP) — Dimitra Liani, the girlfriend of Premier Andreas Papandreou, and her architect husband have divorced by mutual consent, a court official said Monday. The official said the divorce "would become final within one week — when the papers are processed." Liani, a 34-year-old Olympic Airways stewardess, married Alex Kapopoulos, 48, a former prominent member of the Revolutionary Greek Communist Party, in a civil ceremony in 1982. The couple have no children.

Indian navy to resume Gulf trips

BAHRAIN (AP) — Indian navy warships will resume sailing in the Gulf after a five-year hiatus and will make port calls starting early November, Gulf-based diplomatic sources reported Monday. The diplomats confirmed a report that appeared earlier in the Dubai-based Gulf News that the INS Raviv and INS Shakti will be the first Indian ships to enter the Gulf after the interruption caused by the Iran-Iraq war. Indian ships suspended voyages through the waterway during the so-called tanker war, when Iran attacked neutral shipping in revenge for Iraqi attacks ships ferrying Iranian oil.

140 Pakistani fishermen held in Iranian waters

NICOSIA (R) — Iranian authorities have arrested 140 Pakistanis for fishing illegally for shrimp in Iranian waters in the Sea of Oman, the Iranian news agency IRNA reported Monday. The agency said 10 boats were seized from the fishermen who were detained at Kohal port in southeast Iran last week.

Britain stops Gulf escorts

LONDON (R) — Britain's royal navy Monday ended its escort of British merchant ships through the Gulf. But a Defence Ministry spokesman said the three frigates would remain in the Gulf to help ships if needed.

Pinochet sees new assassination bid

SANTIAGO (R) — Military ruler Augusto Pinochet has accused his opponents of seeking his assassination following his defeat in a presidential plebiscite. "I know they have me in their sights to send me to the other side," he was quoted as saying during a tour of northern Chile by the conservative daily *El Mercurio* Monday.

Soviets, Chinese reach border accord

MOSCOW (AP) — Soviet and Chinese negotiators reached agreement settling most of their differences over the eastern sector of their boundary in talks that concluded in Moscow Monday, a Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman said. Spokesman Gennady Gerasimov said Soviet Foreign Minister Edward A. Shevardnadze met with the chief Chinese negotiator, Deputy Foreign Minister Tian Zeng Pei as the talks concluded. The border talks, in their third round, began on Oct. 20. Gerasimov said the two sides would continue negotiations

Arabs serious for achieving peace, King tells Schaefer

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein Monday held talks with visiting West German Minister of State at the Foreign Office Helmut Schaefer on the situation in the region and the latest developments.

Schaefer conveyed to the King greetings of the West German president and government and Boum's appreciation of His Majesty's efforts for peace and stability in the region, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, said.

The King explained to Schaefer the importance of Arab meetings and consultations aimed at arriving at a just and durable peace in the Middle East.

Recent inter-Arab contacts indicate the seriousness of this position, which supports the call for an international peace conference on the Middle East attended by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security



Council and all parties involved in the conflict, including the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), the King said.

The meeting (photo above) was attended by Royal Court Chief Marwan Al Qasem and Foreign Minister Taher Al

Masri.

His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan also received the West German official Monday

and discussed spheres of cooperation and means to bolster bilateral relations (see related story on page 3)

Top-level meeting reviews regional development plans

AMMAN (Petra) — His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan Monday chaired a ministerial meeting which reviewed recommendations issued by special committees formed by a recent conference on development in the Zarqa-Amman-Balqa region.

The meeting, held at the Prime Ministry, was attended by Prime Minister Zaid Rifai, the ministers of education, agriculture, labour, finance, energy and mineral resources, information, water and irrigation, health, planning, interior, public works, housing, youth, tourism, industry and trade, social development, and supply in addition to the minister of state for cabinet affairs and the secretary general of the planning ministry.

The meeting discussed the recommendations of the industry and agriculture sector committees which were adopted during the

King, Benjedid exchange views

AMMAN (J.T.) — Algerian President Chadli Benjedid contacted His Majesty King Hussein on the phone Monday and reassured him of the situation in Algeria, which was hit by riots earlier this month, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported.

The King and Benjedid exchanged views on the latest developments in the Arab and international scenes.

The King wished Benjedid success in every serious effort he undertakes for the prosperity and good of the Algerian people, Petra said.

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Israel Radio said two suspects were caught shortly after the assault and one later Monday. The army said they were members of a local group in Jericho and two have served prison terms in the past for similar attacks.

The attack seemed certain to benefit right-wing parties which favour a tough approach to the uprising and could tip the balance in Tuesday's election, according to political analysts.

Israel seals off occupied territories

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (Agencies) — The Israeli army sealed off the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip from Monday night until Wednesday, barring Palestinians from travelling and journalists from entering the territories without an army escort.

Underground leaders of the 11-month-old Palestinian uprising have called for a two-day strike to mark Israel's general elections Tuesday and Wednesday's 71st anniversary of the Balfour Declaration.

Meanwhile Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin demanded the death penalty Monday for

Palestinians who killed four people in a petrol bomb attack that could swing the Israeli election to the right.

The move appeared to be a last-ditch effort by Rabin's Labour Party to prevent the attack from driving floating voters into the arms of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's right-wing Likud party in Tuesday's election.

Army radio said Rabin ordered the army's judge advocate-general to examine whether the attackers, who hurled five petrol bombs at an Israeli bus in the occupied West Bank town of Jericho Sunday night, could be sentenced to

death.

The army said it had captured a three-member gang from Jericho that allegedly carried out the attack, blown up their homes and confined the town's 13,000 residents indoors.

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He also declined to say whether they included MiG-27 ground-attack planes. The New

York Times said Saturday Moscow had deployed 30 of the high-performance aircraft in Afghanistan.

"In response to the increased supply of weapons from Pakistan, the Soviet Union has supplied the armed forces of Afghanistan with the proper amount of most advanced and effective means of armaments," Gerasimov told a news conference.

Soviets confirm arms supply

The Soviet Union said Monday it had sent advanced weapons to Afghan government forces to counter an increased flow of weapons to rebels from Pakistan.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennady Gerasimov refused to say what type of arms had been

Iran, Iraq far apart as talks resume

GENEVA (R) — Iran and Iraq launched a new session of Gulf peace talks Monday, their positions little advanced since the first round began two months ago.

daily Al Qabas in a separate statement.

"Iraq understands the situation in Iran now and the leadership there is in a state of complete collapse and it is difficult to expect from it any immediate results from the talks."

Perez de Cuellar said the two sides were still stuck on the first part of paragraph one of U.N. Security Council Resolution 598, the basis for the talks.

This stipulates a ceasefire, and failure to agree on its implications has prevented progress on achieving a withdrawal of troops to international boundaries and the exchange of an estimated 100,000 prisoners-of-war.

Iran has stated it will agree to a joint clearing of the Shatt as part of a compromise it says was advanced by Perez de Cuellar, but it insists that this must be accomplished under the provisions of the Algiers treaty.

Cornelio Sommaruga, president of the International Committee of the Red Cross, said his organization was gearing up for the massive task of drawing lists of all prisoners-of-war.

Carlucci in Cairo

CAIRO (Agencies) — U.S. Defense Secretary Frank Carlucci arrived Monday for a two-day official visit in Egypt, the second leg of a Middle East tour which began in Jordan Friday.

Carlucci meets separately Tuesday with President Hosni Mubarak and Defense Minister Abdul Halim Abu Ghazala, focusing on bilateral military cooperation and Middle East

problems.

In Jordan, Carlucci was received by His Majesty King Hussein and held talks with senior officials and toured military positions.

The U.S. secretary was seen off from Aqaba by Armed Forces Commander-in-Chief Field Marshal Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker, U.S.

Ambassador to Jordan Roscoe Suddarth and senior military officers.

Hostage appeals to U.S. government

BEIRUT (Agencies) — U.S. hostage Terry Anderson, the longest-held Westerner in Lebanon, pleaded Monday with his government to negotiate the release of American captives.

"Once again this has gone on too long and cannot continue like this," said Anderson, 41, who has been held by the pro-Iranian Islamic Jihad (holly war) group since March 16, 1985.

He made the appeal in a video cassette sent by his captors to an international news agency in west Beirut nine days before the U.S. presidential elections.

"I gather there has been very little discussion about this problem in the presidential campaign and that's disappointing," Anderson said.

"All that is necessary is that Mr. Reagan and Mr. (Vice-President George) Bush, if he is elected, use their influence in a positive way, not a negative one, with those who are trying to find a way out of this terrible impasse."

"But whichever candidate wins the election, remember an unyielding refusal to deal with the matter is not going to make it go away... it is not going to free us."

Anderson said he had been very close to freedom several times in the past three years but it seemed that the U.S. government had blocked his release each time.

"I am not asking Reagan to deal with terrorists, although Mr. Bush did so in the Iran-contra affair and TWA hijacking," he said.

Hijackers of a TWA plane to Beirut in 1985 secured the release of 766 Lebanese and Palestinian prisoners from Israeli jails in exchange for some 40 American passengers.

Anderson was the Middle East bureau chief of the Associated Press based in Beirut. Islamic Jihad also holds American Thomas Sutherland, dean of agriculture at the American University of Beirut.

Anderson said: "I heard on the radio of the generous and ambitious effort to free three trapped whales a few days ago and the president's thanks to the Soviet Union for its help."

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Village women's costumes exhibited in Paris

'Memories of silk' highlights Jordanian, Palestinian folklore

By Najwa Qawar
Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — Arab village women have been unveiled in Paris for at least four months during the second exhibition of Jordanian and Palestinian folklore held at l'Institut du Monde Arabe.

The exhibition entitled "Memories of Silk," was opened by Widad Qawar on Oct. 17. Qawar recently returned from Paris where 200 pieces from her traditional costume collection, and 200 pieces of her accessory and jewellery collection are on display until Feb. 19, 1990.

This year's exhibition concentrates on Qawar's costumes and jewellery, and on ethnography pieces from the museum at Yarmouk University. The exhibition has been divided into two sections. The first arranged the costumes and jewellery to depict different aspects of life in the region, and the second exposed the ethnological items to the public in France. "Both sections were aimed at acquainting the West with the Arab culture especially that of the Jordanian and Palestinian," said Qawar.

The traditional dresses chosen represent every Palestinian and

Jordanian village and cover a period span of 100 years from 1880 to 1980. Qawar spent some 30 years building and documenting her collection. Initially, this started as a hobby, then it developed into an obsession because it became a matter of national identity for village culture, heritage and women."

She has concentrated on the Palestinian culture because, "it has been uprooted, dispersed from the village to the refugee camps and threatened further under Israeli occupation."

Conducting several interviews with Arab women, Qawar found

the woman to be an institution by herself. Despite the many responsibilities she must fulfil and the harsh conditions she lives under occupation, "the woman continued to embroider and the embroidered costume has become the woman's passport. It is her national flag and her identity."

Qawar hopes that the exhibits held "will give a special tribute to the women who produced this culture and whose courage, determination and struggle never seems to have left them under all circumstances and that foreigners

will begin to appreciate the area in its human and cultural dimensions and heritage, rather than its superpower conflicts, tensions and politics."

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Whether Qawar will succeed in correcting the distorted view of Arab village woman and in showing "the real strength of this woman" is difficult to tell at such an early stage of the exhibition. Qawar believes, however, that the displays have had an effect, "people ask questions about village life and the role that the Arab woman plays, and we are able to convey who the real Arab village woman is."

Qawar noted the interest of the French people in the Arabic culture, "I was envious of the great response to the exhibit. Not only do adults come, but they bring their children. They make it a point to take the catalogue and give each display time."

The catalogues used during the Paris exhibition were translations of those used in Cologne. The first was a small booklet containing several articles written by both Jordanian and foreign experts on the history, village life and houses, and commerce in the area.

While the second contained a long article with coloured photographs on Jordanian and Palestinian folklore, written by Qawar, followed by pictures and information on each item on exhibit, and a bibliography of folklore books available in the region.

Although Qawar was the only individual from Jordan promoting these concepts, she was helped extensively by the director of the institute, Jean Hannoyer. In addition a committee, made up of Arab women volunteers, was formed prior to Qawar's department to help Hannoyer in publicising the event and guiding the guests of the exhibition. The institute, which concentrates primarily on the Middle East, is supported by the French government and some Arab states.

"It was a shame that the Ministry of Information and Tourism did not participate this year in the exhibition since the effort and expenses were enormous, and since it would have been an excellent opportunity for them to promote Jordan in all its aspects," said Qawar, adding that it was still not too late.

Plans are presently being finalised between the Jordanian and Japanese government to display Qawar's collection, archaeological items excavated in Jordan and mosaics in Japan next October.

Abila dig shows evidence of earlier habitation than previously revealed

AMMAN (J.T.) — The 1988 excavation season at the Abila or the Decapolis/Qualibah in northern Jordan, 15 kilometres north/northeast of Irbid, was conducted from June 18 to Aug. 6, under the direction of Dr. W. Harold Mare and Covenant Theological Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri, as principal investigators with the permission and the very valuable assistance of Dr. Adnan Hadidi, director general of the Department of Antiquities.

The excavation staff of 23 Americans from the United States, 1 person from the Netherlands, and 1 person from Brazil (representing several colleges and universities) and the Department of Antiquities representative from Irbid, Mr. Sultan Shureidah, with the aid of 30 to 35 local workmen, concentrated their work in four areas: (1) On the acropolis of Tell Abila, continuing to excavate in the area of the sixth century A.D. basilica and at the large city wall on the north edge of the tell; (2) On the

south tell, Umm Al Amad, with concentration on further excavation in the seventh century A.D. Christian basilica; (3) In the theatre cave area on the northeast slope of Umm Al Amad, and (4) In the cemetery area where further excavation was conducted in the Roman-Byzantine and in earlier period tombs along the wadi ledges east of the site of Abila.

At the basilica area on Tell Abila, further evidence was uncovered pointing to the fact that in the construction of the sixth century basilica part of an earlier structure (possibly a Roman/Byzantine temple) had been used and it was increasingly obvious that the Umayyads had in turn used part of the church to construct additional rooms and structures. Just to the northeast of the church, further investigation there revealed more evidence of an earlier habitation in the Roman, Hellenistic, Iron Age, and Bronze Age periods.

Further excavation in the

church on Umm Al Amad revealed the remaining column drums and capitals on the north and south stylobates on either side of the nave and a row of four massive columns and capitals outside of the west entrance of the church were delineated.

At the end of the 1988 excavation season the remaining columns and capitals in the western half of the basilica and in the entrance were restored to their original positions.

Further excavation at the theatre cave revealed that in the orchestra area to the south of the basalt street a later Umayyad palace had been built which had also been used by the Abbasids, and then by the Ayyubids and the Mamluks.

Along the wadi to the east in Area H, there was further excavation of Roman-Byzantine tombs. In one case, a Hellenistic grave was excavated and in another case a disturbed Iron age, late Bronze, Middle Bronze tomb was also excavated.

Renowned W. German Jazz players to give concert in Amman on Nov. 5

AMMAN (J.T.) — Gebhard Ullmann and Andreas Willers — two renowned jazz players from West Germany — will present a concert in Amman Nov. 5. Judging from reviews of their performance in West Germany, jazz lovers could really have an entertaining time with the concert.

The proceeds of the concert, to be held at Amra Hotel, will benefit the SOS Children Village in Amman and is organised by the Goethe Institute.

Following is a profile of Ullmann and Willers:

Ullmann plays soprano and tenor saxophones; his manner is predominantly lyrical and cerebrual, analogous to the basic temperament of this duo.

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To Willers' side is a concert guitar resting in a stand, scattered around his feet is the usual array of pedals needed to manipulate the sound of the electric guitar and, at half-height, is a box full of other effects — all essential equipment for Willers' search for a three-dimensional sound drenched in echo. At times he strikes totally open chords, but then slowly phases them in and out using his volume pedal. In other moments he'll thumb a deep E-string to underlay the chords he is picking in a higher octave. There is a suggestion of "minimal music" when he sets up those overlapping melodic cycles with the aid of an echo box which repeats a phrase in incessant loops, interwoven with figures he plays with his hands.

"I have a clearly legato-oriented guitar style," Willers ex-

plains, "which encompasses earthy blues riffs and sounds strongly influenced by the tradition of jazz lines."

The Andreas Willers speaking here is, at least in musical terms, very different from that "tender youth," as a journalist described him in 1981, "who shocked the audience with his purely electronic sounds."

It seems even more bizarre to discover that the avant-garde guitarist, Andreas Willers, who made a record under one of the major labels of the European free jazz scene, was also at the same time a member of a blues band.

By now, of course, these extreme polarities converge in the Ullmann-Willers duo, and are merely two components within a far wider-reaching orientation and attitude to music. This band is not the only articulation of their common musical aspirations: Other bands which Ullmann and Willers belong to include "Out To Lunch," a jazz quartet named after a record made by Eric Dolphy (who died in Berlin) and "Minimal Kidds," an ensemble which plays more along the lines of the electronic and fusion music of the eighties.

But they don't by any means regard this duo as an extract distilled from their various other projects and presented as chamber music. The duo has its own repertoire and has been going on longer than both "Minimal Kidds" and "Out to Lunch."

In fact, after having met in 1982 during an intensive jazz course at the Hamburg High School for Music, they took the duo with them to their new, self-appointed home in West Berlin.

Ullmann and Willers are un-

doubtedly jazz musicians (one of them learnt to play alongside such saxophonists as Herb geller and Dave Liebman). Whilst the other, studied at the Los Angeles Guitar Institute of Technology), yet at the same time they also represent an entirely new species.

They are the kind of jazz musician cropping up in increasing numbers in Europe and America, who no longer remain rigidly centred on one single style as were their mentors.

"I grew up with the Beatles and Jimi Hendrix, I listened to Penderecki and there was always classical music being played at home — what's the use in pretending otherwise? I live in Europe and listen to jazz — it all somehow just flows together. There is good and bad music. Whenever I hear good music, I try to listen and understand what they are up to. And if it happens to fit in with my own music, then I'll try to incorporate it as well," says Ullmann.

"Above all we belong to the generation which has consistently worked at acquiring a knowledge of what is new. Not like the people we then learnt from, in the sixties, who, if you mentioned 'mixolydian' or 'dorian mode,' just shook their heads. They didn't know what it was about and said 'in the past everything was so much better, we just played by ear'. We've had to learn everything from scratch, from big band arrangements to the sampling machine. I am not afraid of what I don't know," says Willers.

And finally they tell us something which so concisely expresses the boundless search for a subject that inspires so many young jazz musicians today: "We are eclectics."

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National News

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NATIONAL NEWS IN BRIEF

KING CONGRATULATES ALGERIA: His Majesty King Hussein Monday sent a cable of good wishes to Algeria's President Chadli Benjedid on his country's National Day. In the cable, the King wished the president continued health and happiness, and more progress and prosperity for the Algerian people (Petra).

FRENCH TECHNICIANS: The director of Technical and Scientific Cooperation at the French Foreign Ministry's Middle East desk Monday called at the Royal Jordanian Geographic Centre which was originally set up with French assistance to help draw maps and employ remote sensing techniques in various operations (Petra).

JAPANESE BOOKS: The University of Jordan's library Monday received a collection of books and references as a gift from the Japanese government, dealing with economy, science and other fields (Petra).

ZARQA CELEBRATIONS: Zarqa Governorate will hold celebrations on Nov. 21 to mark His Majesty King Hussein's birthday which falls on Nov. 14, according to an official statement Monday (Petra).

FAO OFFICIAL: A team from the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) Monday visited the University of Jordan, met with the dean of the Faculty of Agriculture and reviewed with him the faculty's research work and programmes implemented with FAO assistance (Petra).

PRIMARY HEALTH CARE: A training course in primary health care services opened at Ma'an in southern Jordan Monday with the participation of sixteen nurses from health centres in Ma'an Governorate (Petra).

BRIDGES TO CLOSE: Public Security Department sources Monday reported that the bridges would be closed on Tuesday and Wednesday Nov. 1 and 2 (Petra).

MA'AN PROJECTS: Ma'an government public services projects carried out during 1988 have cost nearly JD 66,000, according to Ma'an municipality officials Sunday. They said that funds were spent on lighting streets, building a children park and appropriation of lands for public utility (Petra).

EXTRA CARE ON ROADS: The Public Security Department Sunday called on all drivers to exercise extreme care and caution while driving their vehicles, in order to avoid accidents that may take place as a result of the current weather conditions, and also to check their vehicles, particularly brakes and tyres (Petra).

AGRICULTURAL MANAGEMENT: A week-long training course on evaluating agricultural projects in Jordan ended in Amman Sunday. A total of 16 participants from the Agricultural Credit Corporation (ACC), the University of Jordan and the Jordan Valley Farmers' Association took part in the meeting which laid particular emphasis on means of developing small farms in the Jordan Valley.

China to build school for children in Baqaa camp

AMMAN (J.T.) — Some 50 Chinese engineers and technicians were introduced today to the refugees community of Baqaa camp where the Peoples' Republic of China will build a school for refugee children.

A get-together was held this morning near the school site in the camp and was attended by Mr. Zhang Huai Tao, Economic Counsellor at the Chinese Embassy in Amman. Mr. Ele Saaf, Director of UNRWA Affairs in Jordan as well as by senior government and UNRWA officials.

An agreement for the construction of school was signed earlier in July by UNRWA and Mr. Zhang Zhen, the Chinese Ambassador to Jordan.

In school, which will replace a

dilapidated prefab building, will cost approximately \$800,000 including equipment and furniture and will consist of 22 classrooms, 3 administrative offices, one library, one laboratory and one multi-purpose room.

The construction work, which will be carried out soon under the supervision of Chinese technicians, is expected to take about 18 months.

The school, when completed, will cater for some 2,100 refugee boys from Baqaa camp which accommodates some 70,000 Palestine refugees and displaced persons.

UNRWA's 195 schools in Jordan provide general education for 135,000 refugee children taught by an education staff of 3,500.

Iraqi educators visit schools in Madaba

MADABA (Petra) — A visiting Iraqi educational delegation Monday called at Madaba, south of Amman, and toured schools and vocational centres and met with education officials.

The head of the delegation spoke about his country's endeavours to promote the education process in Iraq despite the war with Iran which lasted eight years.

Hamdan demands new environment strategy

IRBID (Petra) — A workshop opened at Yarmouk University Monday to discuss the inclusion of environmental courses in the school curricula, with the participation of heads of education supervisors in various governorates.

University president Mohammad Hamdan made a speech at the opening session, demanding an extension of the existing laws

and regulations and the introduction of new plans and strategies and the implementation of education programmes associated with the environment and means of protecting it from pollution.

Hamdan said that the government's concern in this respect is reflected in a recent formation of a higher committee entrusted with drawing up policies on Jordan's environment.

WHAT'S GOING ON

The following listings are compiled from monthly bulletins and the daily Arabic press. Readers are advised to verify the listed time and place with the concerned institutions.

ART EXHIBITIONS

- ★ A painting exhibition by Sudanese artist Mohammad Khalil, at Al Wasit Gallery, Plaza Hotel.
- ★ An art exhibition by Ahmed Na'ash at the French Cultural Centre.
- ★ A plastic art exhibition by Iyad Al Masri at the Housing Bank Complex.

OTHER EXHIBITIONS

- ★ A book exhibition at the civilian wing of Ma'an University.
- ★ Islamic book exhibition at the Islamic Cultural Centre for Men in Karak.

FILMS

- ★ A German film entitled *Kamikaze* (English subtitled) at the Goethe Institute — 8:00 p.m.



Lawzi, U.K. envoy discuss ties

AMMAN (Petra) — Speaker of the Upper House of Parliament Ahmad Lawzi confers in his office Monday with British Ambassador to Jordan

Anthony Reeve. They discussed Anglo-Jordanian relations especially in parliamentary issues (Petra photo)

Turkish civil aviation delegation in Amman

AMMAN (Petra, J.T.) — A team from the Turkish Civil Aviation Authority has arrived here on a several-day visit to Jordan. Its members are expected to hold talks with the Civil Aviation Authority in Amman on promoting air travel between the two countries.

The team's arrival came close on the heels of a week-long visit to Turkey by Minister of Tourism Zuhair Ajlouni who, in a statement upon returning here Saturday, disclosed that he had discussed prospects for promoting Jordan-Turkey air transport operations associated with tourist groups visiting either country.

During his stay in Turkey, Ajlouni concluded an agreement with his Turkish counterpart designed to increase and encourage bilateral cooperation in tourist investment projects.

Ajlouni said that the agreement provides for periodic meetings between tour operators and tourist agents from both countries to pave the way for joint marketing of tourist attractions in Turkey and Jordan.

The agreement also encourages exchanges of visits by folk troupes from both countries to organise cultural festivals, which in turn act to serve the tourism cause, the minister noted.

Provisions for training of personnel involved in the tourism industry, launching unified efforts abroad to attract tourists to either country and exchanges of expertise and information related to the tourism sector are also included in the agreement which was signed last week.

Ajlouni added.

The Turkish side has offered to help in Jordan's programmes of restoring archaeological sites, and the subject will be further explored during a cultural conference which will be held in Ankara in the coming year, according to the minister.

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Israeli elections

ON THE eve of Israel's national elections, most polls in Israel predict either a Likud victory or a stalemate. Neither result would augur well for peace prospects in the Middle East. Likud is openly committed to rejecting an international peace conference on the Arab-Israeli conflict, and is overtly opposed to relinquishing even one inch of Arab territories occupied in 1967.

But if the projected Israeli-Arab vote deprives either of the two strongest political parties of some 13 seats in the 120-member Knesset, then the Arab card in Israel could be put to optimum use by offering to take sides with the political party which accepts to take the most reasonable posture towards the Palestinian conflict.

Part of the blame for the political limbo in Israel is due to the fact that Labour and Likud hardly differ on the fundamentals of the Arab-Israeli conflict. With Labour boasting that it has turned down all peace overtures that call for Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab territories, and portraying that record as evidence that Labour can be just as intransigent as Likud, the Israeli electorate ends up having no real options on issues of war and peace.

The Palestinian intifada has acted as a catalyst to ignite international, including Israeli, interest in the Palestinian case, as well as to galvanise global action in support of Palestinian aspirations for freedom and self-determination. If the political balance in Israel in the wake of today's election proves unfavourable to the cause of peace, the Arab World should continue to support the Palestinian struggle until there is an Israeli interlocutor to engage us in peace talks.

ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

Al Ra'i newspaper Monday commented on the resumption of peace negotiations between Iran and Iraq in Geneva, and paid tribute to the efforts of the U.N. secretary general for bringing the two sides to the negotiating table again. Nothing was achieved in the first round of negotiations between the two countries, and it looked as though the U.N. will not succeed in bridging the gap between them, to help them arrive at peace, the paper noted. It said that Iran is to blame for any procrastination in the achievement of peace because it has been adamant in its position not only during the war but also at the Geneva negotiations which aim to implement U.N. Security Council Resolution 598 to end the conflict. Iraq for its part, said the paper, had been more flexible during the negotiations and was seeking an end to the conflict even while the war was going on over the past years.

Al Dastour daily commented on His Majesty King Hussein's visit to the newspaper's office Sunday, describing it as a major event in the life of the Al Dastour's editors and staff. Al Dastour newspaper was greatly honoured by the visit and considers the King's directives as guidelines for future plans and endeavours, the paper noted. It said that the King's speech will revitalise the paper's potentials and give it a new momentum for further dedication to serving the Kingdom.

Sawt Al Shabab daily which was also visited by King Hussein Sunday expressed pride and great delight over the visit. The paper referred to the King's statements in which he emphasised the need at the moment to enhance joint Arab action and to pool Arab efforts and resources in the face of common challenges. For this to be achieved, said the paper, a series of consultations and contacts are needed among Arab leaders to clearly define issues and measures to deal with these challenges. The paper urged Arab states to benefit from the example set by regional groupings in other parts of the world which proved successful in dealing with common issues and which proved to be a strong force in the face of external dangers and threats.

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ARABIC PRESS COMMENTARIES

Why?

A COLUMNIST in Al Dastour Arabic daily Monday reflected on the huge fire in Marka Sunday which engulfed a nylon factory and several neighbouring homes and businesses. The writer, Ahmad Jamil Shaker, asks why the government should allow such factories, like the one which was burnt down, to be installed in the midst of residential areas. He quotes Civil Defence Department officials as saying that a real tragedy could have occurred had the fire engines not reached the scene of the incident a few minutes after the fire broke out; and says that there is need to move factories to areas outside the residential areas to protect human life. Shaker reminds readers of the explosion that occurred at a warehouse storing explosive materials in Umm Al Basatina a few years ago; and another where gas cylinders had been stored in the midst of residential areas. He says that following the two incidents measures were taken to remove the source of danger from urban regions, and he urges concerned authorities to take prompt measures to avoid future danger.

Palestinians follow Israeli poll, differ on outcome

By Paul Taylor
Reuters

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM — Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip are avidly following Israel's election campaign, but they disagree whether the outcome makes any difference.

The 1.75 million Palestinians in the occupied territories will not have a vote Tuesday and Israeli troops are prepared for violent demonstrations there on polling day.

Some Arab intellectuals, in an argument apparently backed by the PLO, want Foreign Minister Shimon Peres' centre-left Labour Party to win because it favours an international Middle East peace conference.

Others say only Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's right-wing Likud party is strong enough to deliver real concessions in peace talks.

Street activists in a 10-month-old uprising against Israeli rule say they do not care who wins, since both parties are perceived as equally bad for the Palestinians.

"There's no difference between Likud and Labour. Both deny our rights," said Omar Abn Sinan, a pharmacist from the village of Silwad, near Ramallah.

Many Palestinians commented that a Labour defence minister, Yitzhak Raham, was behind Israel's iron fist policy of shoot-

ings, beatings, expulsions and house demolitions in an effort to crush the uprising.

Hanan Ashrawi, dean of arts at Bir Zeit University, closed by the Israeli authorities for the last year, said Palestinians believed a Likud government would increase repression, while a Labour cabinet would at least attempt some peace gesture.

"But both have said very clearly they don't want a Palestinian state," she said.

While Labour favours a territorial compromise with a Jordanian-Palestinian delegation hand-

ing densely-populated parts of the West Bank and Gaza Strip back to Arab rule, Likud insists Israel must retain control over the entire area.

The Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), involving itself in an Israeli election campaign for the first time, has appealed to Israeli Arabs and Jews to vote for peace-loving parties.

Without naming its preferred parties, the PLO has indicated a clear tilt towards Labour.

It postponed until after the Israeli poll plans to declare an independent state, partly because

Egypt and the Soviet Union warned such a move could boost the Israeli right. Palestinian sources said.

The PLO-backed underground leadership of the uprising in the occupied territories issued an unprecedented leaflet urging Israelis to vote to end the occupation and establish a Palestinian state in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Israeli experts said any overt PLO help for Labour would backfire badly among Jewish voters.

Sari Nusseibeh, a philosophy

professor who supports the PLO, said some Palestinians wanted Likud to win so that things would get worse and a radicalised conflict would eventually yield a Palestinian state.

Personally I think that's nonsense. I think Labour would be better for the Palestinians," he said.

But even Nusseibeh dismissed Labour's proposals for local elections in the occupied territories next year if calm returned to the areas. No Palestinian was in a position to stop the uprising and the Labour offer was not serious.

Radwan Abu Ayyash, president of the Arab Journalists' Association, also gave cautious support to Labour. "I don't count too much on who wins but there is a difference between a government that is a little reasonable and one that is completely blind. A Shamir government would bring war," he said.

The PLO prefers someone who might recognise them," he said.

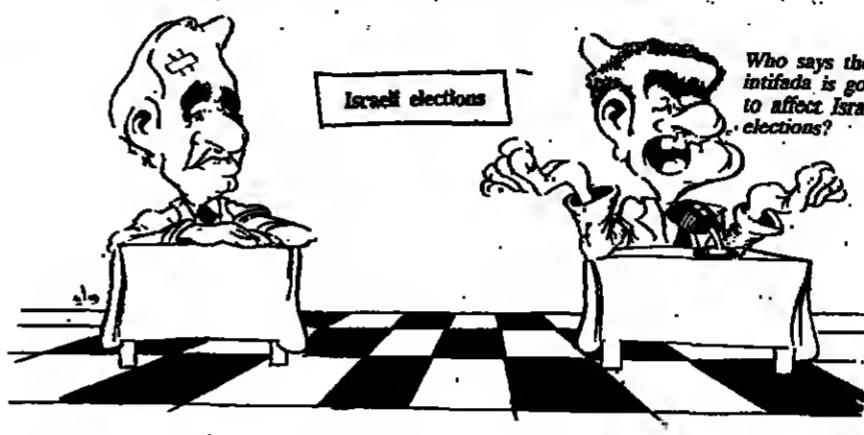
However some Palestinians believe a Likud government would be better placed to make peace.

"It's better to have Likud in power and Labour in opposition," said Mahmoud Abu Zulf, publisher of the biggest West Bank newspaper, Al Quds. He recalled that a Likud government under Menachem Begin handed back the entire Sinai peninsula in exchange for peace with Egypt.

Ottoman Hallaq, editor of the rival Al Nahar daily, took a similar line. "With Likud at least you know where you are, where they stand," he said.

Jack Khazmo, editor of the political weekly Al Bayader Al Siyasi, said it was futile for Palestinians to try to affect the Israeli elections.

"I don't care. We shouldn't try to interfere in it or try to affect public opinion in Israel. What we have to do is to show the world there is a Palestinian problem," he said.



'Vote for Dukakis'

The following is the text of an address made by Arab American Anti-Discrimination Committee (ADC) Chairman James G. Abourezk to the U.S. Arab Chamber of Commerce, Boston, Mass. on Oct. 19, 1988.

AS THOUGH to prove how relevant we are on the press both for our information and our opinions, you may have noticed how little press coverage the Palestinian uprising has gotten since the presidential campaign has heated up.

Just last Sunday the Washington Post ran a story that the PLO was now reconsidering to join a Jordanian delegation in any new round of peace talks. Ordinarily, such a story would have been on the front page of the Post. That's not to say that my home town newspaper has suddenly decided to change sides in the Palestinian-Israeli conflict.

No — the Washington Post will most likely never do that. But it has, along with other press outlets, seen the news value in a major rebellion that is taking place in the occupied territories, and indeed, within Israel itself. I should say, it bad, for a done, seen the news value. Ever since the Israelis took Henry Kissinger's advice and kicked out the press, there has been precious little news of Israelis beheading, shooting, torturing, imprisoning and deporting Palestinians to the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. As Alex Cockburn said, the Palestinians were shot and died on page one for the first few weeks of the uprising, and now they are shot and die in small articles inside the newspapers. The Israelis are still shooting, beheading, torturing, imprisoning and deporting Palestinians just as heavily as before.

One of the tragedies of the conflict remain constant — there are still too few people willing to speak out against the atrocities being committed there, atrocities that the unwitting American taxpayer is paying for... through appropriations sent to Israel by a compliant Congress and a cooperative administration. Not only are American politicians silent, but too many members of the American Jewish community say nothing about the murderous Israeli government. It seems there is no crime too great, no action by Israel too horrendous for American Jewish groups to criticise. In fact, Jewish leaders spend most of their time making excuses for Israel's outrages. But the news this week is most encouraging. Some of the mainstream Jewish groups are forming their own lobbying arm to lobby Congress. They are doing so in opposition to AIPAC, the American Israel Public Affairs Committee, which has been the Capitol Hill group speaking for American Jews. This is the first time a crack has appeared in the solid wall of pro-Israel sentiment, although it may have as much to do with the Israeli elections as with anything else. AIPAC has been a Likud supporter, and the mainstream Jewish groups are long time Labour party supporters.

The Middle East has not become an issue in our presidential campaign. That's not surprising, primarily because there's little or no profit for the candidates in making it a major issue. Perhaps we should be thankful for it. History has shown us that if one American candidate promises to do something for Israel, the other one will outbid him. But during the course of this campaign there has been one almost unnoticed difference in how the two candidates have handled it.

George Bush has come out in

Beyond the Middle East, I measure the candidates in other ways. I agree that Dukakis is cold, that he can't smile, and that he's been late in putting his campaign together. But I believe he is by far and large decent, and that he will appoint decent people to his administration.

I have always said that the best chance for Arab-Americans is the Democratic Party. There's one major reason for that — the Democrats are much more responsive to human rights arguments than are the Republicans.

Ronald Reagan and his administration show concern for human rights only when his hired killers, the contra, are taking their lumps in Nicaragua. Beyond that, Reagan will support any country, dictatorship or not, that agrees to take its orders from him and his administration.

As always, I would encourage all of you to attend, to contribute money, to work in the campaign however you can... anything to help get these referenda over the top.

As a community, Arab Americans have a way to go to organise ourselves into a unified voting block. We have to learn to vote not only for our interests with respect

to the Middle East, but also for some kind of justice in other parts of the world. And justice here in America is equally important. If we ask for it in Palestine, we must ask for it in Central America, and especially here in the United States. Justice overseas means that we cannot continue to provide arms to dictators who oppress their own people with them. Justice at home means we cannot continue to treat people as they are.

ADC is doing what it can to help the Coalition for Palestinian Human Rights. ADC's president, Adeeben Jabara, will be in Boston two days from now, on Friday the 21st, to help raise money for the Coalition's campaign. He will appear at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Karam Skaff, 45 Cliff Road, in Sudbury, Massachusetts. He will be accompanied by Ambassador Clovis Maksoud, the Arab League's Ambassador to the United Nations.

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remember a time when the country would have been shocked at disclosures of massive fraud by insider trading on Wall Street, or by the bribery and fraud in the recently disclosed Pentagon scandals, or by giving arms to Iran in exchange for hostages. There seems to be an outrage left in people. There is a reason for that. The country waits for its president to express its anger, but in all these cases, we can hardly expect Reagan, or Bush, to suddenly being self-criticism, can we?

We, as a community, really need to re-examine the ways of the "me" generation, the yuppie crowd which says that we must forget about everybody else and make certain we're comfortable.

The result of such an attitude on our part will not only be morally correct, but it will bring new allies in our own struggle to achieve justice in the Middle East, and fairness to our own people here at home.

Soviet press even-handed, but officials prefer Bush

By Susan Cornwell
Reuters

MOSCOW — A picture of Michael Dukakis in a Soviet newspaper is likely to be accompanied by one of George Bush, reflecting the official media's even-handed treatment of the American presidential candidates.

Compliments, criticism, headlines and even column inches seem to have been doled out dispassionately to Democrat and Republican candidates alike.

Judging from the media's handling of the candidates, the Soviet Union is as bored with Nov. 8 election as many Americans are.

"Reading the pieces it is impossible not to wonder at the balancing skills of the authors," said Melior Sturua, a political analyst for the government newspaper Izvestia in Moscow now.

He argued that Soviet media should reflect the diversity of opinion in the country and be more analytical of U.S. politics now that the era of glasnost (openness) is in full swing.

But as far as the government is concerned, the seemingly disinterested coverage serves a purpose: keeping the Kremlin out of the campaign.

"We want to be very cautious. We don't want to do anything to fuel the debate," foreign ministry spokesman Gennady Gerasimov said.

"There is no official Soviet view of the election," he said, adding, "After all, it is not very exciting."

The Communist Party daily Pravda may have given a clue of some official attitudes, being slightly more critical of Bush and more complimentary of Dukakis throughout the campaign.

After the first televised debate between the candidates on Sept. 26, Pravda declared Dukakis the winner, although it mildly criticised him for modifying his earlier opposition to President Reagan's "Star Wars" programme, the strategic defence initiative (SDI).

On Oct. 20, Pravda rapped Bush for a speech he gave saying the West should not be lulled by Soviet reforms. Still, by Pravda's standards, it was a gentle blow.

Bush's belief that Washington should deal with Moscow from a "position of strength" contradicts the mutual understanding that has developed between the two superpowers, Pravda said.

To act according to the recommendations of the vice president is equal to taking one step forward with the left foot and one step backwards with the right foot," it said.

If Western diplomats' impressions are correct, there are more Bush supporters in Moscow than Pravda would indicate.

Four superpower summits with the Reagan administration have made the vice president a familiar, and therefore comfortable, figure among Soviet officials, the diplomats say.

"All the officials I know prefer Bush," one Soviet political analyst at a Western embassy told Reuters. "They want a known quantity."

"They have bad memories of Jimmy Carter in 1977, when he radically changed negotiations but I think Bush will win."

LETTERS

Keep it rosy

To the Editor:

UNLESS you are a Martian, a Gremlin, an E.T. or such other creature from outer space, you can now drive through the Sik and visit Petra in the comfort and luxury of your own car.

I understand that permission has been granted recently for a very wide range of visitors to use motorised vehicles inside the city of Petra.

What happened to ecology, our duty to posterity, our commitment to preserve national heritage for the generations to come, and indeed for the whole world. This site that has witnessed many civilisations march through the Sik and is one of the wonders of the world; the major tourist attraction of this country; the witness to the greatness of the Nabataean Arab culture, will soon disintegrate under our own eyes. We worry about pollution affecting our modern concrete jungles, and yet easily overlook the damage this modern-day affliction will cause to Petra.

Why can we not continue enjoying a leisurely ride on horseback

MIDDLE EAST NEWS BRIEFS

Berri accuses Hezbollah of killings

NABATIYEH, Lebanon (R) — A Shi'ite leader said Sunday that the pro-Iranian Hezbollah (Party of God) organisation was behind the killing of three Lebanese militia officials a month ago. Nahib Berri, leader of the Amal militia, said the command of Hezbollah had ordered the killing of Daoud Daoud, head of Amal's executive committee, Hassan Sbiti and Mahmoud Fakih on September 22. "Your command (Hezbollah) has pushed the Shi'ite of Lebanon into seclusion... Your command, in return for some 20 (foreign) hostages, has tarnished the image of Islamic Iran," Berri said.

Egyptian plane hijacker to stand trial

VALLETTA (R) — The trial of the surviving hijacker of an Egyptian Boeing 737 in which 60 people were killed was expected to open Monday, police sources said. Omar Mohammad Ali Rezaq, 23, a Palestinian from Lebanon, was one of four hijackers who seized the plane on a flight from Athens to Cairo on November 23, 1985, and forced it to land at Malta's Luqa airport. His fellow gunmen were killed when Egyptian commandos stormed the plane 24 hours later after the hijackers killed two hostages and dumped their bodies onto the tarmac.

Opposition group to release 250 POWs

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — An Iraq-based group which opposes the Iranian regime of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini announced Monday it will release 250 Iranian prisoners of war captured by their forces during the Gulf war. A statement from the National Liberation Army, the fighting arm of the Peoples Mujahedeen of Iran led by Massoud Rajavi, said the released POWs "are free to choose their future way of life as they choose." This phrasing indicated some of the released prisoners may decide to join up with the NLA instead of being repatriated to Iran. The prisoners, held in the Iran-Iraq border area, were captured during NLA forays into Iran in the latter stages of the eight year Iran-Iraq war.

ABTA meets in Jerusalem

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (R) — British travel agents opened a three-day convention in west Jerusalem on Sunday, despite protests by the Arab League and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO). Arab protest has dogged the convention ever since and the PLO has lobbied ABTA members to boycott the event. Last Thursday the Arab League warned Britain not to send Tourism Minister John Lee.

Saudi Arabia denies plot charge

RIYADH (R) — Saudi Arabia Monday denied it had been involved in a plot to topple the Iranian government and said the kingdom's foreign policy was based on non-interference in the internal affairs of other countries. The official Saudi Press Agency (SPA) quoted a responsible source as saying allegations in a book to be published this week in Israel and the United States were "completely incorrect and fabricated." Reuters carried a report on October 28 about the book "The Iranian Triangle" which says Israel, the United States, Sudan and Saudi Arabia plotted in 1982 to overthrow Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini's government and restore Iran's monarchy. The author of the book, Israeli journalist Samuel Segev, said the plan was to be carried out in 1983, but fell apart after the Israeli invasion of Lebanon in June 1982.

GCC to discuss Gulf peace

BAHRAYN (R) — Six Gulf Arab foreign ministers will meet in Saudi Arabia Tuesday, in the shadow of the tortuous negotiations between Iraq and Iran in Geneva, to discuss how they can help to bring lasting peace to the region. The ministers from the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) will consider their role as stipulated in U.N. Security Council ceasefire Resolution 598, the Saudi newspaper Asharq Al Awsat quoted well-informed sources in Riyadh as saying. Article eight of the resolution, the basis for the Iran-Iraq peace talks, asks the U.N. secretary-general to examine, in consultation with both parties and other Gulf states, measures to improve regional security and stability.

U.N. to get 2nd plane for Juba airlift

KAMPALA (R) — The U.S. cargo airline flying in food for the starving people of the besieged southern Sudan town of Juba will add a second plane to the airift, a United Nations official said Monday. Apollo Ongom, of the U.N.'s World Food Programme (WFP), said the Miami-based Southern Air Transport's second super Hercules C-130 aircraft would speed up the movement of desperately-needed food to Juba, besieged by rebels of the Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA) since 1985. The WFP hoped to move 1,000 metric tonnes of maize to the town — enough to provide up to three meals for Juba's 200,000 residents, he said. Juba had no food shipments for one month before the airlift started last Wednesday.

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Voices of the victims

War Wounds
Sudanese people report on their war

Published by The Panos Institute, London, £4.95

JUBA, Sudan — The civilian population in south Sudan see four enemies, all of them deadly: government troops, the Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA), the tribal militias — and famine. And they are defenceless against any of these. This is the state of affairs in every corner of the south today.

Killing and looting are everywhere. Civilian casualties have far outnumbered those among the armed forces. A veritable genocide is underway, report local correspondents in the book "War Wounds", published by the Panos Institute, London, on October 27, 1988.

One woman, Jakuda, who lost her husband in this genocide tells her story. She is from Nyamini, a

camp for the Mundari pastoralists people displaced from Terekeka district — about 30 kilometres north west of Juba.

"I am called Jakudu — I come from a place called Mayen. The SPLA have killed my husband. I have lost our properties, cattle and everything."

"They killed him because they say that the Mundari are bad and because he was resisting over the cattle — he didn't want the SPLA to take the cattle."

"I had the small children — I was running ahead with the other children — I had one on my back, and I was carrying the other one and so the cattle were taken — I don't know where they are gone."

"I stayed on there, but was alone all the time. I would collect green vegetables from the bush and make it for food, but as soon as the food was ready the SPLA would come and they would like to eat that."

"When I escaped into the bush, I was alone but for my three children. On the way there were many people, so we came with other people. They said they were running away, too."

"One of my children died on the way coming here. Now I am left with two; you can see them here. The child died because there was nothing to eat and there was no milk. It was the youngest that died. We took six days on the way coming — when we got tired we would sit and rest or sleep in the place we were tired."

"I am nine days here in Nyamini now. I had nothing with me when I arrived — I only came

with my children. I have nothing. I don't think I will go back home soon. Even if I go now, who is going to take care of me? I have nobody."

Her experience and despair is echoed by another woman in another district who found herself the victim of another of the four enemies, government militias. Samira Nyatap was asked to describe their attack on the town she lived in, Bentiu, in Bahr Al Ghazal. She is now in the Fugido refugee camp in western Ethiopia.

"Our house was attacked. We don't know why. So many people were killed ... it took us two months and 22 days to get here. We ate leaves of the trees, occasionally an animal that had died. We had a small jerrycan of water. Many children died on the way."

Samira says she became separated from her husband when they first escaped; she doesn't know whether he is dead or alive. She lost two of her children on the way.

A man in his fifties with scars of bullet wounds, Yol Ngor from Aweil District, says that the government militia attacked his village, killed his brother, his children and his cows. They took some women. They shot at him and then tried to kill him with a spear. He was unconscious for a time but managed to escape, although it was difficult to move on the journey. He depended on leaves for food.

A group of boys also told how other boys were killed on the way. One says that his elder brother went to look for water in their village back in Sudan and did not come back. They tell how the militias took womenfolk, burnt houses, stole food and cattle.

One boy has a very disfigured shoulder and neck. He explains that he was thrown into a burning house by militiamen.

Another family group took two months to reach Fugido camp from Pacong village, near Rumbek. "We had a lot of difficulties. There were so many swampy places — some of us got lost in the swamps and some of us lost our children that way. People were shooting at us from a helicopter and so we concealed ourselves. So many died on the way."

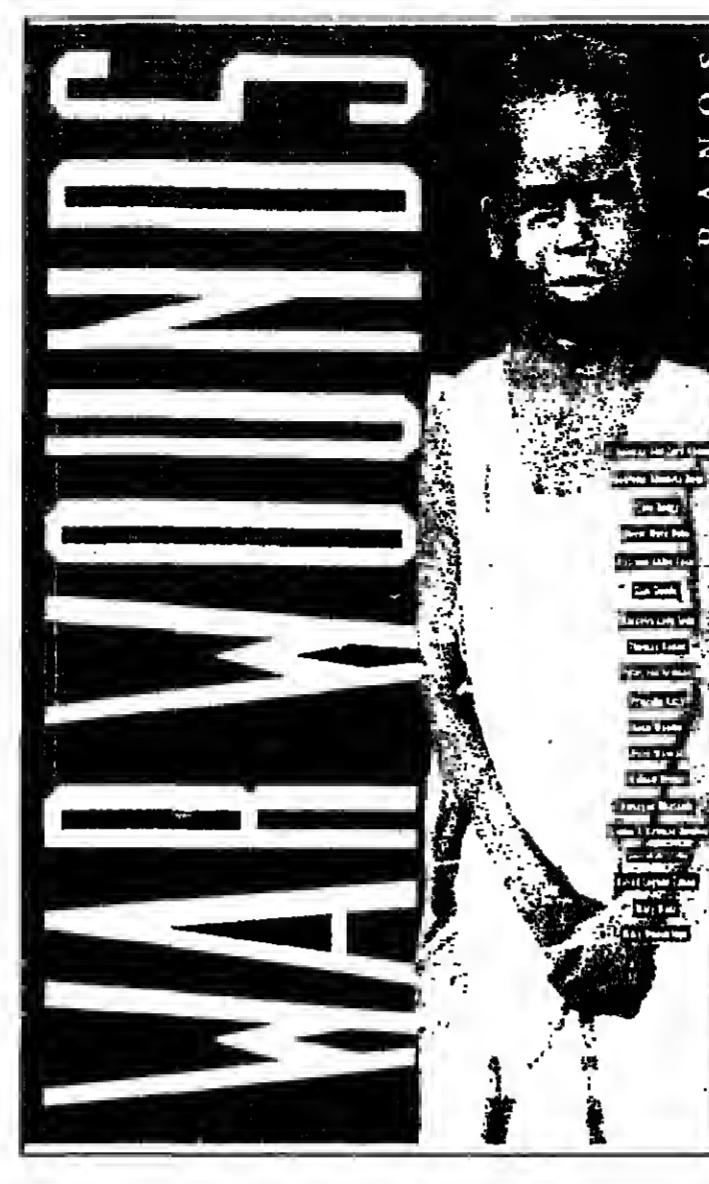
Asked why they left Rumbek they said, "our houses and villages were set on fire by the army. We were just looking for survival. No one encouraged us to come. Either you escape or you die."

Professor Abdul Rahman Abu Zayd Ahmed, until recently Vice-Chancellor of the University of

Juba, sums up: "We have destroyed immense wealth, lost valuable opportunities for growth and inflicted permanent injury to the national psyche, with nothing to show for our deeds."

Beyond the atrocities, the book "War Wounds" also reports on the damage to Sudan's social sectors.

Health care has all but disappeared as medical supplies are rarely available. Agricultural and pastoral livelihoods have virtually come to a standstill. Even aid from outside the country has been severely disrupted by



attacks from rebels. What hope is there for an end to the warfare?

General Olusegun Obasanjo, Nigerian Head of State from 1975-79, writes in the preface:

"As in most civil conflicts, the causes are ultimately deeply embedded, with deep roots in Sudanese history, from which it follows that only a political settlement, taking into account the legitimate aspirations of all sections of Sudanese society, will guarantee lasting peace" — Panos features.

Reagan vows support for Israel

LOS ANGELES (AP) — President Ronald Reagan vowed Sunday that America will never forget the lessons of the holocaust, pledging unwavering support for Israel and to "use force" against any threat of fascism.

"We must defend ourselves against the evils of totalitarianism," Reagan said in a speech to members of the Simon Wiesenthal Centre at its annual awards banquet.

"We must remain strong and we must be willing to use force when we are under threat. This is a lesson that binds us still closer to the state of Israel, for the fact

is, a strong Israel depends upon a strong America," Reagan said.

Declaring that "monsters" were responsible for the holocaust, Reagan said "the mind reels from the enormity of the crime — it beggars to be set free from so terrible a fact, to wipe it from the memory."

The centre presented Reagan with its 1988 humanitarian award in recognition of his commitment to Israel, his work in defense of Soviet Jewry and the signing of the arms reduction treaty with the Soviet Union, the White House said.

EEC grants West Bank, Gaza 3m ECU

AMMAN (J.T.) — The Commission of the European Communities will finance nine projects in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, under its 1988 programme of development assistance to the Palestinian people, the EEC office in Amman announced.

The Community will support with 3 million European Currency Units (ECUs) in grants, actions which promote income generated employment in the agricultural, industrial and service sectors and which help improve primary health care in the most deprived areas. Special importance has been placed on strengthening local Palestinian credit and health institutions.

Community development assistance in 1988 will be distributed as follows:

— support for the Arab Development Society dairy plant in Jericho — 450,000 ECU;

— credit for small-scale operations in the agricultural, industrial and service sectors through the Arab Development and Credit Company, the Economic Development Group, the United Agricultural Company and the European NGO, Cooperation for Development — 1,800,000 ECU;

— support for primary health care activities through the Red Crescent Society in Hebron, the Medical Relief Society and UNRWA's West Bank and Gaza fields of operation — 750,000 ECU.

In addition to the above, the Commission has already decided since the beginning of 1988 to finance various NGOs projects for about 1 million ECU, and will provide over the year humanitarian and relief assistance worth 38.3 million ECU to Palestinian refugees in the occupied territories through UNRWA's regular and emergency programmes.

Nasser's son accused of killing Israelis

CAIRO (R) — A son of the late President Gamal Abdul Nasser goes on trial in his absence Tuesday accused of involvement in the killing of Israeli officials, the wounding of U.S. security men and trying to overthrow Egypt's government.

The trial of Khaled Abdul Nasser and 19 others is likely to produce political fireworks over Egypt's ties with Israel because the son of an Arab nationalist hero faces a possible death sentence.

Prosecutors have demanded the death penalty for Nasser and 10 others accused of criminal complicity in wounding an Israeli diplomat in 1984, killing two Israeli officials in Cairo in 1985

and attacking two Americans last year.

Nine other defendants, including Nasser's cousin, Gamal Shawki Abdul Nasser, face jail terms on lesser charges in the so-called "Egypt's revolution" case.

The start of the trial in the supreme state security court at a secluded, heavily-guarded building in Cairo's Nasr city fair grounds coincides with general elections in Israel.

Eight of the 20 defendants are known to be behind bars, 10 are out on bail and only the two Nassers are abroad. Khaled, a 38-year-old engineer, has spent most of the last year in Yugoslavia.

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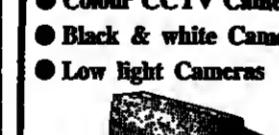
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Dollar drops to four-month lows

LONDON (R) — The dollar fell to its lowest in four months Monday on worries about the U.S. economy ahead of the Nov. 8 presidential elections and dealers said the American and Japanese central banks intervened to prop it up.

The U.S. Federal Reserve (Fed) Board was said by New York dealers to have bought dollars when America's currency slipped below 124.80 Japanese yen. The Bank of Japan intervened in earlier Asian trading. The Fed's action brought the dollar back up to trade just above 125 yen. It firmed around 1.7750 Deutsche marks.

The dollar has not been below 125 yen since June 10. Dealers say it is weaker now, after rallying in the summer, because of renewed concern about America's huge trade and budget deficits.

Gold also reflected market nervousness and firmed in value. It was set in London's bullion market at \$412.35 after Friday's closing 3411.40.

Wall Street stocks were slightly lower, partly in response to the weak dollar, and in early New York trading the Dow Jones industrial average was down seven at 2,143.

Economists say that the Fed is unlikely to relax its grip on credit any time soon despite a slowdown in economic growth.

They said the U.S. central bank, which has been gradually raising short-term interest rates since March, was not convinced the danger of rising inflation was over.

"Given the present risks of inflationary pressures in the U.S. economy, we do not consider monetary policy to be excessively tight in present circumstances," Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan said in a letter to the Senate.

Although some data since then suggest inflation has levelled off, economists said the underlying rate is still too high to permit the Federal Open Market Committee, the Fed's policy-making arm, to ease credit when it meets Tuesday, a week before the U.S. presidential election.

"It would be premature to contemplate an easing move," said

of the early-summer drought, which reduced farm production, growth would have been a solid 2.8 per cent.

Fed officials, moreover, say the labour-market and factory-use strains that Greenspan cited in July as a reason for erring on the side of a restrictive policy are persisting.

The unemployment rate in September, for instance, was just one-tenth of a point above June's 14-year low of 5.3 per cent.

"It looks like labour demand remains strong," said First Chicago Corp economist Dana Johnson.

"The clear tendency of the Fed will be to keep policy unchanged and see if they have to do more in the way of tightening. Three can be no thought of easing," he said.

Economists also gave a muted cheer to the latest inflation figures.

Consumer price inflation slowed to 0.3 per cent in September from 0.3 per cent in August,

but two broader inflation gauges calculated by the Commerce Department rose at an annual rate of five per cent in the past six months. In 1987 the two indices rose 3.3 and 3.6 per cent respectively.

"The trend seems to be toward a gradual acceleration in inflation," said Paul Boltz of T Rowe Price Associates Inc. in Baltimore.

The Fed will be pleased at the slowdown in growth, but "it's no reason to ease if inflation is moving up to a five per cent annual rate," he said.

Moreover, GNP was weak in the wrong places, Boltz said.

U.S. policymakers would like domestic demand to slow to make room for the export growth needed to reduce the nation's trade deficit, but in the third quarter growth in net exports fell and business investment slowed, while consumption rose.

Higher rates are gradually sapping consumption — consumer spending was flat in September — but the process is slow.

As Bank of Japan Governor Satoshi Sumita noted last week:

"We need some time to see whether the U.S. economy will slow down to a reasonable pace that would help lower inflation and cut the trade deficit."

With the improvement in the trade deficit petering out, financial markets are speculating that the dollar will have to fall further to make imported goods less expensive. Because of the dollar's rise earlier in the year, import prices fell in the third quarter for the first time in 2½ years.

Even if the U.S. authorities decide they can live with a lower dollar, the Fed would not want to encourage a decline by cutting interest rates, economists said.

"That would be a very strange signal to the foreign exchange market," Boltz said.

An unchecked fall in the dollar could spell turmoil on the financial markets.

ECONOMIC NEWS BRIEFS

Air Maroc to modernise fleet

CASABLANCA (R) — Morocco's national carrier Royal Air Maroc has announced plans for the purchase of 10 new Boeing jet aircraft at a cost of \$450 million in an ambitious modernisation drive. The board of directors said in a statement the company had also taken out an option on a further 10 B 737-400S and B 737-500S.

The aim is to equip the airline — 93 per cent owned by the state — with a fleet able to meet an expected increase in traffic resulting from increases in tourism and plans to liberalise the European air market within a single European market from 1992. The new planes will enter into service from 1990, replacing the current 727-200 and 737-200 models. Air Maroc, which already has two Jumbo 747s in a total fleet of 22 aircraft, has a turnover of around three billion dirhams (\$350 million) and employs 4,800 staff in 30 countries.

Kuwait seeks more time to sell shares

KUWAIT (R) — Kuwait asked Britain Monday to speed up its reply to a request for more time to sell its shares in British Petroleum (B.P.), the Kuwait News Agency (KUNA) reported. Britain ordered the Kuwait Investment Office (KIO), the government's London-based overseas investment arm, last month to slash its stake in B.P. to 9.9 per cent from 21.6 per cent within a year. KUNA quoted official sources as saying Kuwait had asked Britain to extend the one-year deadline. British press reports have said Kuwait stands to lose about £350 million (\$590 million) if it sells the shares within 12 months. A Department of Trade and Industry official has already said the deadline is flexible and market conditions will be taken into account.

Maxwell to buy Official Airlines Guides

NEW YORK (R) — British media tycoon Robert Maxwell Sunday announced his first major U.S. publishing deal, a \$750 million agreement to buy most of Dun and Bradstreet's Official Airlines Guides (OAG) division. The division will be acquired by a newly-formed Pergamon Group Company. Maxwell and Dun and Bradstreet said in a joint statement they expected the sale to be completed by year's end. The new company will be traded as Maxwell Official Airline Guides and include OAG's electronic information on airline schedules and its magazines relating to the travel industry. These include Frequent Flyer, Pocket Flying Guide and Travel Age. Dun and Bradstreet also said it granted Pergamon an option to buy Thomas Cook Travel USA, an American travel agency group with 60 regional offices in the United States. Dun and Bradstreet bought it from Midland Bank in 1985.

S. African rand slides to record lows

JOHANNESBURG (R) The rand has fallen to record lows against most major currencies and economists predict the South African currency, influenced by the world gold price, will remain under

pressure. With relatively weak gold prices depressing export earnings the rand dropped to an all-time low of 4.39 to the British pound Monday and plummeted against the Deutsche mark and the yen. The rand sank even faster than the declining dollar, dropping to 2.47 to the U.S. currency — its lowest level in months.

UAE cabinet approves 1988 budget

ABU DHABI (R) — The cabinet of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) approved Monday a much-delayed 1988 budget showing a deficit which a minister said would continue into the future due to low oil revenues. Minister of state for cabinet affairs Said Al Gaiti told reporters the deficit of 1.83 billion dirhams (\$500 million) was lower than 2.75 billion (\$745 million) in 1987. Spending was set at 14.24 billion dirhams (\$3.88 billion) and revenue at 12.42 billion (\$3.38 billion), with the figures subject to rounding. UAE finance officials have said they will try to raise non-oil revenues to compensate for the shortfall due to depressed world oil prices. Oil prices around 85 per cent of the UAE's total revenues.

Seoul charges 12 for insider trading

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — Government prosecutors said Monday they had charged 12 stock exchange officials and securities traders with illegal insider trading that earned them huge profits. Five officials from the Korea Stock Exchange and one from the Daewoo and Shinyoung Securities Co. were arrested, and six other members of the securities firm were charged but not detained, the prosecutors said, speaking anonymously. The 12 were accused of having illegally exchanged classified stock information that earned them \$570,000 in profit from transactions involving \$12.7 million in blue-chip stocks, prosecutors said. They added they were checking other securities companies for possible insider trading violations.

Yugoslavian inflation hits record 236%

BELGRADE (AP) — Yugoslavia's consumer index in October rose by 19.1 per cent over September's mark, and annual inflation reached a record 236.3 per cent, the Federal Statistics Bureau announced Monday. The rapid rise of inflation in the second half of that year was due to massive price hikes after the government introduced an economic austerity programme at the end of May which also limited wages and devalued the national currency, the dinar, by 23.9 per cent.

Sears plans to sell world's tower

CHICAGO (AP) — Sears, Roebuck and Co. announced plans Monday to sell Sears Tower, its corporate headquarters and the world's tallest building, as part of an effort to streamline the company. Sears' plan also will include a stock buyback, cost-cutting programmes and the sale of its commercial real estate subsidiary, the nation's largest retailer said.



Visiting Cypriot Industry and Trade Minister P. Yamavatis and Jordanian officials Monday review bilateral economic relations (Petra photo)

Officials review Jordan-Cyprus ties

AMMAN (Petra) — Jordanian-Cypriot trade relations were discussed at a meeting here Monday by Cypriot Industry and Trade Minister P. Yamavatis and the Federation of Jordanian Chambers of Commerce (FJCC) Secretary-General Amin Al Husseini and his senior aides.

The two sides reviewed bilateral cooperation in trade and prospects for signing a protocol to encourage economic cooperation especially in the tourism field.

The prospect of a visit by a Jordanian economic delegation to

Philip Morris, Kraft merge in \$13.1b deal

NEW YORK (R) — Philip Morris Companies and Kraft Inc have agreed to merge in a \$13.1 billion deal that will create the world's biggest consumer products company, Philip Morris said Sunday. The merger is the largest non-oil acquisition and the second biggest U.S. corporate takeover in history, surpassed only by Chevron's \$13.3 billion acquisition of Gulf Oil.

Philip Morris, in winning Kraft, raised its offer over the weekend to \$106 a share from \$90 a share, or a total of \$11.5 billion. Its first bid for Kraft was a hostile tender offer Oct. 18. Five days later, Kraft fashioned its own re-capitalisation, which would have meant selling a fifth of the company.

Glenview, Illinois-based Kraft, the largest U.S. food company, apparently acquiesced to the deal after Philip Morris contacted it about raising its offer late Friday night. It is Philip Morris's second food acquisition in three years.

Philip Morris, with Kraft, overshadows Unilever N.V. as the world's largest consumer products company.

Like rival tobacco makers, Philip Morris has a huge free cash flow from its core tobacco business. But unlike rival R.J. Rebsamen, Philip Morris is using its cash to build earnings in an area outside of the tobacco business.

AMMAN EXCHANGE RATES

Monday's Central Bank official rates		Buy	Sell
U.S. dollar	442.0	444.0	Japanese yen (for 100)
Pound Sterling	785.3	789.2	Dutch guilder
Deutschmark	250.3	251.6	Swedish crown
Swiss franc	297.2	298.7	Italian lire
French franc	73.3	73.7	Belgian franc (for 10)

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Number	Volume	Contracts	
Regular market:	581587	JD 700562	626
Top three companies:	710	JD 95611	52
Arah Bank Limited	116875	JD 72463	83
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Ministry of Finance	636321	Amman Financial Market	660170
Ministry of Planning	644466	Amman Chamber of Commerce	666174
Ministry of Labour	663186	Amman Chamber of Industry	644747
Ministry of Communications	647391	Amman Chamber of Agriculture	639391
Ministry of Agriculture	639391	General Association of Banks in Jordan	662238
Income Tax Department	660101	Jordan Association of Insurance Companies	647370
Central Bank of Jordan	662230	General Statistics Department	846171
Zakat Customs Department	722181	Jordanian Businessmen Association	680663
Social Security Corporation	643000		
Jordan Industrial Estates Corporation	721194		

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at midday on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets Monday.	
One Sterling	1.7800/10
One U.S. dollar	1.2180/90
	1.7673/78
	1.9935/45
	1.4885/92
	37.04/07
	6.0325/75
	1315/1316
	124.65/75
	6.1430/80
	6.5960/6010
	6.8120/80
One ounce of gold	412.30/412.60

WORLD STOCK MARKETS

SYDNEY — The market closed firmer after much of the uncertainty surrounding the placement of Bell Resources 70.4 million BHP shares was lifted. The All Ordinaries index rose 3.4 to 1,584.

TOKYO — Prices saw-sawed through the day to end mostly higher for a sixth straight session of gains. The Nikkei index rose 21.53 to 27,982.54.

HONG KONG — Prices ended higher after an active morning and quiet afternoon. The Hang Seng index rose 12.94 to 2

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Paraguay wins World Indoor Soccer

MELBOURNE (AP) — Paraguay stunned defending champion Brazil Sunday with a 2-1 victory in the final of the world indoor soccer championships, becoming the new world champions. Paraguay ended Brazil's run of over 920 international matches without defeat, started since the inception of indoor soccer in 1957. Paraguay, third in the 1965 world championship in Spain, played their most impressive football of the tournament with 27-year-old captain Ramon Carosini in brilliant form. Brazil took the lead at the Melbourne sports and entertainment centre in the first two minutes when prolific scorer Luis Ortiz pounced on a defensive error in the Paraguayan back court. But undaunted Paraguay fought back to even the score after 12 minutes. Then Miguel Marquez and Oscar Bisualdo scored the winning point with less than three minutes remaining. Spain defeated arch-rival Portugal 5-1 in an earlier playoff for third place in the tournament.

Maleeva wins Indy title

INDIANAPOLIS (R) — Second seed Katerina Maleeva of Bulgaria upset top-seeded American Zina Garrison 6-3, 6-2, 6-2 to win the \$100,000 Indianapolis Women's Tennis Tournament Sunday. The victory was worth \$17,000 to Maleeva and also secured her a spot in the year-ending, one-million-dollar women's championships next month in New York. Garrison, ranked ninth in the world, had not lost a set coming into the final but fell to the solid baseline play of Maleeva, ranked 14th.

U.S. team wins show jumping championship

LANDROVER (R) — Hap Hansen, riding the seven-year-old, Dutch-bred stallion Zadok, turned in three clear rounds to win the \$40,000 president's grand prix Sunday to clinch the Washington International Horse Show team title for the United States. Hansen was clocked in 32.94 seconds over a course that had been shortened to seven obstacles for the second jump-off, the victory was worth \$12,000 and the coveted trophy. Five horses made the jump-off with second place going to Volan ridden by American Debbie Shaffer in a clear round in 34.45 seconds.

Mexican wins Chicago marathon

CHICAGO (R) — Mexican Alejandro Cruz broke away after two-thirds of the race and held on to win the Chicago Marathon Sunday. Cruz, 20, of Mexico City, won in two hours eight minutes 57 seconds, 23 seconds ahead of Soviet Iakov Tolstikov. Kenyan Richard Kaitany was third in 2:09:39.

GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES GOREN
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WHO LEADS TO TRICK TWO?

East-West vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH	♦ 5 4 3	EAST	my ace and tried the diamond finesse. When that lost, declarer still had to concede a trick in trumps, hearts and clubs for down one.
♦ 9	♦ A 8 4	WEST	The percentage break in spades is 3-1, so declarer should have been alert to the possibility of losing a trick in each suit in the event that the diamond finesse were in fail. Careful planning would have allowed declarer to overcome his bad luck.
♦ Q 7	0 Q 6	South	Since West can do declarer's "house-to-harm," South should have allowed the king of hearts to hold the first trick. Let's suppose that West continues with a low heart. Declarer fineses the jack and then cashes the ace. When East ruffs, declarer discards his club loser. Best is for East to shift to a diamond. Declarer comes up with the ace, draws the remaining trumps in two rounds, and cocodes a diamond, making his game.
♦ 6	♦ 8 5 3 2	It is easy to be lulled into a false sense of security by a hand that seems simple. If, however, you take your time before playing to the first trick, you will often spot the complications and be able to adopt countermeasures.	
♦ 4	♦ 10 3 2	South's jump to four spades is a trifling aggression. We would have preferred a trial bid of one of the red suits, preferably diamonds, which would have led to the same game.	
♦ 3	♦ 9 5	When we saw this hand played at rubber bridge, it was soon over. Declarer won the first trick with dummy.	
♦ 2	♦ 8 5 4 3 2	It is easy to be lulled into a false sense of security by a hand that seems simple. If, however, you take your time before playing to the first trick, you will often spot the complications and be able to adopt countermeasures.	
♦ 1	♦ 10 7 6 4	South's jump to four spades is a trifling aggression. We would have preferred a trial bid of one of the red suits, preferably diamonds, which would have led to the same game.	
♦ 0	♦ 4 K Q J	When we saw this hand played at rubber bridge, it was soon over. Declarer won the first trick with dummy.	
♦ 9	♦ A 7 6 2	The bidding:	
♦ 8	♦ 9 7	North: West: North: East: Pass: 2 ♦: Pass: 4 ♦: Pass: Pass: Pass: Pass: Pass: Openning lead: King of ♦.	
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Chavez may refuse rematch

LAS VEGAS (R) — Julio Cesar Chavez, declared the winner after an accidental clash of heads ended his lightweight title fight with fellow-Mexican Jose Luis Ramirez Saturday, may not agree to a rematch and may move up in weight. Chavez' victory, after the ringside doctor ordered the fight halted in the 11th round of the scheduled 12-round bout, gave him Ramirez's World Boxing Council (WBC) title to add to his World Boxing Association (WBA) version of the lightweight crown. The victory made him the first fighter to hold more than one part of the lightweight title since Roberto Duran in 1978. Ramirez' camp loudly demanded a rematch after the fight. The clash of heads opened a deep cut on their man's forehead. Promoter Don King hinted Chavez might not be interested in a rematch.

Italian minister slams UEFA decision

ROME (R) — Italian Sports Minister Franco Carraro Monday condemned a decision by the European Football Union (UEFA) to uphold the result of Roma's UEFA cup defeat by Partizan Belgrade. Roma, beaten 4-2 in Belgrade last Wednesday, had appealed to UEFA to be declared 3-0 winners of the tie after captain Giuseppe Giannini was hit on the head by a missile thrown from the stands. "It seems inconceivable that while (UEFA) demands the help of forces of order throughout the world to ensure competitions are orderly, some organisation interprets its own rules in the most permissive way," Carraro said in a statement. UEFA's disciplinary committee, which met in Zurich Sunday, upheld the result of the second-round first-leg tie but fined Partizan \$6,600 and ordered the club to play their next home tie at least 300 kilometres from the stadium.

NFL STANDINGS

NEW YORK (R) — Standings of National Football League (NFL) teams after games played Sunday:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

Eastern Division

	W	L	T	PF	PA
Buffalo Bills	8	1	0	199	139
New York Jets	5	3	1	206	184
Miami Dolphins	5	4	0	176	182
New England Patriots	4	5	0	155	199
Indianapolis Colts	3	5	0	150	156

Central Division

	W	L	T	PF	PA
Cincinnati Bengals	7	2	0	252	178
Houston Oilers	6	3	0	215	213
Cleveland Browns	6	3	0	153	132
Pittsburgh Steelers	2	7	0	189	237

Western Division

	W	L	T	PF	PA
Seattle Seahawks	5	4	0	158	174
Denver Broncos	4	4	0	167	140
Los Angeles Raiders	4	5	0	191	216
San Diego Chargers	2	7	0	116	186
Kansas City Chiefs	1	7	1	112	149

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Eastern Division

	W	L	T	PF	PA
New York Giants	6	3	0	190	178
Washington Redskins	5	4	0	216	216
Phoenix Cardinals	5	4	0	214	196
Philadelphia Eagles	4	5	0	203	187
Dallas Cowboys	2	7	0	148	182

Central Division

	W	L	T	PF	PA
Chicago Bears	7	2	0	164	113
Minnesota Vikings	5	4	0	205	162
Green Bay Packers	2	7	0	160	187
Tampa Bay Buccaneers	2	7	0	165	233
Detroit Lions	2	7	0	112	166

Western Division

	W	L	T	PF	PA
New Orleans Saints	7	2	0	190	149
Los Angeles Rams	7	2	0	242	150
San Francisco 49ers	6	3	0	190	162
Atlanta Falcons	2	7	0	169	244

EUROPEAN SOCCER

Real Madrid stays on top

MADRID (R) — Real Madrid, in confident mood after their European Cup victory over Gorizia of Poland last Wednesday, crushed Real Murcia 3-0 away to stay top of the Spanish first division Sunday.

After a hesitant first half in which the home side did most of the running and had nearly all the scoring chances, the league champions piled on the pressure after the interval.

Mexican International Hugo Sanchez put Real ahead six minutes into the second half and Emilio Butragueno finished off Murcia with a two-goal burst in just four minutes.

Sanchez set up the first for Butragueno and midfielder Martin Vazquez coaxed for the Spanish International to score again and snuff out Murcia's challenge.

Barcelona, edged out of the top spot last week after losing to Real, struggled to heat Real Zaragoza 1-0 at home.

Midfielder Roberto Fernandez rounded Zaragoza's Paraguayan goalkeeper Jose Luis Chulabre to score in the 20th minute.

Atletico Madrid continued their remarkable revival, since the arrival of British coach Ron Atkinson with a 2-0 home win over Valencia Saturday night. It was Atletico's fifth consecutive league win and they are now third in the table.

Italy

In other European soccer news, Internazionale prepare for the first major confrontation of the Italian soccer season this week after climbing to the top of the first division with a sparkling display reminiscent of their championship-winning heydays.

The Milan Club tackle second-placed Sampdoria Sunday acutely aware that victory would make them the season's first clear-cut leaders of the Italian league and boost their bid for a first championship triumph since 1980.

A 2-0 win over Roma last Sunday, hailed as one of their best performances for years, has left Internazionale top of the table level on seven points with Sampdoria after four games.

And the omens look good for Internazionale. The last time they took seven points from their opening four matches was in the 1979-80 season when they went on to win the title.

Elsewhere in Europe, several league leaders consolidated their positions with impressive weekend wins.

PSV Eindhoven

European and Dutch champions PSV Eindhoven followed their 5-0 European Cup thrashing of Portugal's Porto in midweek with a 3-0 win over Twente to extend their lead at the top to four points.

But the match, played in near sub-zero temperatures, offered a chilling insight into Dutch soccer for PSV's new Brazilian signing Romario De Souza Faria. The 22-year-old striker spent

most of the game wrapped in blankets on the bench and failed to shine when he came on for the last half hour, squandering a golden opportunity to net on his debut.

"I thought I couldn't miss the ball but I did. I wasn't nervous, I was just cold, very cold," Faria said.

Jou Ellerman opened the scor-

ing in the 19th minute and Gerald Vanenburg added the second 11 minutes later. Dutch international Ronald Koeman completed PSV's tally 13 minutes from time.

In France heavily criticised

Paris Saint-Germain had their first division lead cut to one point after failing to beat Marseille at the Parc Des Princes.

France

The goalless draw did little to counter the Paris Club's defensive image under Yugoslav trainer Tomislav Ivic. They have scored only 23 goals in 17 games.

Namibia freedom plan on hold

JOHANNESBURG (Agencies) — With regional peace talks on hold, a government spokesman said Monday he was not aware of any plans for South Africa to meet its Nov. 1 target date and begin granting independence to Namibia.

South Africa, which has ruled Namibia for 73 years, had said it wanted to begin withdrawing Nov. 1 and allow independence elections next June 1 in the territory.

However, South Africa's proposal was contingent on reaching an agreement for the departure of an estimated 50,000 Cuban troops supporting the government in Angola, Namibia's northern neighbour.

South Africa, Cuba, Angola and U.S. mediators have been holding periodic talks since May, but have been unable to settle on a timetable for the withdrawal of the Cuban forces.

Roland Darroll, a spokesman for the South African department of foreign affairs, initially indicated there were no South African plans to begin implementing Namibian independence Tuesday. He later clarified his stance, saying, "I am not aware of any plans to begin implementing in-

dependence."

Other government spokesmen could not immediately be reached for comment.

South African newspapers have reported recently that President P.W. Botha now seeks to begin the independence process Jan. 1, 1989, but Darroll declined to comment when asked if a new target date had been set.

He said the four nations involved in the talks were planning a fresh round of negotiations, but that none had been scheduled.

The last round of talks was held in September in Brazzaville, Congo. There were reports that all sides agreed in principle to the withdrawal of Cuban troops over a 24-30 month period, but none of the countries has commented publicly.

Meanwhile, rebels of the South-West Africa People's Organisation (SWAPO) have said they will continue their armed struggle unless an inde-

pendence plan is implemented. Eddy Amkongo, a SWAPO representative based in Europe, said last Friday in Geneva that his organisation remained "cautiously optimistic" that an independence plan could be implemented shortly.

The alternative will be renewed war with very costly and debilitating consequences," Amkongo said.

SWAPO has been fighting since 1966, the year the United Nations ended South Africa's mandate to govern Namibia.

South Africa has said it intends to grant Namibia independence along the lines of United Nations Resolution 435, which was passed in 1978. The plan calls for a one-year independence process leading to nationwide elections.

A team of 23 U.N. experts was in Namibia several weeks ago to assess logistical needs for a 7,500-person monitoring force that would be expected to stay for at least a year.

A ceasefire between South Africa and the combined Cuban-Angolan forces has been in effect since Aug. 8 and there have been no reports of violations.

South Africa withdrew the last of its several thousand troops

from Angola Aug. 30. The South African forces were fighting alongside the UNITA rebels in the 13-year-old Angolan war.

Moroccan role

Angolan President Jose Eduardo dos Santos is due in Morocco Tuesday to confer with King Hassan who has played a discreet role in moves to settle the Angolan civil war.

A Moroccan Foreign Ministry spokesman said Monday dos Santos would spend about 24 hours in the central Moroccan city of Fez on a "working visit" on his way home after key talks in Moscow and Prague. It will be dos Santos' first visit to Morocco.

The two countries established diplomatic relations last year. In the past Morocco backed Jonas Savimbi's UNITA rebels who are fighting the Angolan government. Angola has supported Polisario guerrillas fighting Morocco for control of the Western Sahara.

Savimbi conferred with the king last July and the United States mediator Chester Crocker met the monarch at the beginning of this month.

No details of their talks were revealed.



Rajiv Gandhi

NEW DELHI (R) — Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi virtually launched his re-election campaign Monday at a rally of one million people to mark the fourth death anniversary of his mother Prime Minister Indira Gandhi.

As he spoke, farmers staging a counter-demonstration gave up their week-long protest but vowed not to pay taxes, water and electricity bills or repay loans.

Many of the 100,000 farmers who had been squatting on lawns

Gandhi's speech rouses huge rally

near parliament to demand higher crop prices and loan forgiveness began to melt away as the protest was called off.

But their presence had already forced Gandhi's Congress (I) Party to shift its rally, originally due to be staged at the same place, across town to the historic Red Fort.

Gandhi's speech was a rallying cry to Congress workers who know he must call an election before December next year. He lavished praise on his government's record and ridiculed opposition efforts to forge a united electoral challenge.

Going out of his way to pay special attention to farmers, Gandhi said a second "Green revolution" was being ushered in with government efforts to promote a food processing industry.

"Our population is growing. A

small piece of land is now supporting three or four families so there is less for everybody. We have to find ways to generate employment."

Police said more than one million people were at the Congress-organised rally, one of the biggest ever seen in the capital. Many had come by special buses and trains as far as Tamang Nada in the south or Assam in the north-east.

Traffic was thrown into chaos as they marched, chanting slogans and waving flags, through streets decorated with giant portraits and larger-than-life cutouts of murdered Prime Minister Indira Gandhi.

Gandhi said when his mother was killed by Sikh bodyguards in 1984, it looked like the country was falling apart.

COLUMN 8

Stones join Hall of Fame

NEW YORK (AP) — The Rolling Stones, The Temptations, Stevie Wonder, Dion and Otis Redding have been elected to the rock and roll Hall of Fame. This year, the Hall of Fame also will honour three early influences on rock 'n' roll: The blues singer Bessie Smith, the vocal quartet The Ink Spots and the gospel group the Soul Stirrers, of which the late Sam Cooke — an icon of soul music — was once a member. Phil Spector, who had a brief career as a performer but is more famous as a writer, producer and arranger, also is being inducted in a non-performing category. The announcement of the latest inductees to the rock industry's honour roll was made this week by Atlantic Records' Ahmet Ertegun, who is chairman of the rock and roll Hall of Fame Foundation. Induction ceremonies are planned in New York for Jan. 18.

Radio broadcast sparks panic

BRAGA, Portugal (R) — Many residents of the Portuguese city of Braga, convinced of a Martian invasion, fled in panic during a weekend broadcast of Orson Welles's science-fiction radio play "War of the Worlds", police said. The broadcast to mark the 50th anniversary Sunday of the piece's premiere in the United States, which caused similar widespread panic, was adapted by Radio Braga so that the invading Martians landed in nearby Villa Verde. "People were phoning the radio, the police and firemen to find out if it was true. Many just fled and took the road to Oporto," a police spokesman said.

Third-graders thank Gorbachev

LOVELAND, Colorado (AP) — The plight of whales trapped by Arctic ice got worldwide attention, and the rescue role played by two Soviet icebreakers got the special attention from an elementary school class of nine-year-olds. "I feel sorry for every living creature that has to go through this," said Lisa Delack, a third-grader at Centennial elementary school in Loveland. Butto started her party's campaign Sunday from city's slums of Lyari, which is one of the two election districts from where she is contesting the polls. Her home town of Larkana is the other district from which she is a candidate. But, if elected, she will have to resign from one of the constituencies, according to Pakistani polling rules.

World News in Brief

Aid pours in for typhoon Ruby victims

MANILA (AP) — Foreign assistance for some 2.6 million Filipinos displaced by typhoon Ruby has reached more than \$800,000, officials said Monday. The government's department of social welfare said Ruby, the 18th strongest tropical storm to hit the country this year, destroyed 177,000 houses and left at least 181 people dead.

U.S. INF team arrives in East Germany

BERLIN (AP) — A team of eight U.S. inspectors arrived in East Germany Sunday to inspect missile sites covered under a super-power treaty scrapping intermediate range nuclear forces (INF), the state-run media reported. ADN news agency said the men arrived in Leipzig and would inspect former Soviet nuclear missile sites in the next few days.

Thai officers 'steal' U.S. covert aid

WASHINGTON (AP) — A covert Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) programme to aid non-communist rebels in Kampuchea is operating at reduced levels following discovery that military officers in Thailand had siphoned off some \$3.5 million, according to intelligence sources and a published report. The corruption scandal, which may also have involved some Thai businessmen, was reported in Sunday's Washington Post and confirmed in part by other sources. The programme, one of several U.S. initiatives to bolster anti-communist forces in conflicts around the world, has since been cleaned up but is operating at reduced levels. More rigorous accounting procedures are in place, the newspaper reported.

3 police injured in Seoul student attack

SEOUL (AP) — Sixteen radical students hurled homemade explosives and firebombs outside the home of former President Chun Doo-Hwan at dawn Monday, police reported. Police said the students, also wielding metal pipes and wooden sticks, clashed with police after they were intercepted outside Chun's residence in western Seoul. The officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said three policemen were hospitalized with serious injuries. Police said 12 of the students, who were arrested on the spot, claimed membership in a self-styled "suicide squad." The squad was formed recently to demand the arrest and punishment of the former South Korean president and his wife for alleged corruption and other irregularities during his seven-year tenure.

Salvador chief of staff quits

SAN SALVADOR (AP) — General Adolfo Blandon, chief of the joint chiefs of staff, has announced that he would step down and be replaced by Colonel Rene Emilio Ponce, a combat-toughened brigade commander praised by U.S. military advisers. Blandon, 48, said Saturday he had been appointed El Salvador's military attaché in France, effective Nov. 1. Named the top-ranking armed forces commander in November 1983, he had been expected to step down before the year was out.

Palme probe plunges into controversy



Olof Palme

STOCKHOLM (AP) — The search for Prime Minister Olof Palme's killer plunged into a new controversy Sunday, when a newspaper published a detailed account of the 1986 murder written by the former head of the Palme probe.

Prosecutors and police said information revealed in the newspaper Expressen from the first chapter of former Police Commissioner Hans Holmer's coming book "Olof Palme Is Shot" would make the search even more difficult.

"In a murder investigation it is necessary to have secret material," said Ingvar Eriksson, spokesman for the current heads of the Palme investigation.

"It makes it easier to check witness accounts... here we have material never published before. We would have preferred it if he had never written that book."

The information published in Expressen Sunday is a scenario of what happened during the 30 hours before Palme was killed in downtown Stockholm Feb. 28, 1986.

Holmer backs it up with accounts from witnesses that the police has heard. Several witnesses are identified by name.

Bush, Dukakis wage war as election nears

WASHINGTON (R) — Michael Dukakis and George Bush waged psychological warfare as they headed for the final week of the presidential campaign, with the Democratic underdog challenging his rival to meet in another debate.

Dukakis, who trails by roughly 10 points in most national opinion polls, called on the Republican vice-president to debate a third time before the Nov. 8 election.

Bush has flatly ruled out another debate, saying most Americans had had their fill with the first two, but Dukakis strategists hope to force their rival into rethinking his stance.

"Let the American people decide which one of us can best unite the country," Dukakis told reporters, suggesting a 60-minute debate on the eve of the election.

Dukakis, in an interview to be broadcast Monday, acknowledged his liberal roots but insisted he was more fiscally conservative than his Republican rival.

Bush, who repeatedly calls Dukakis as "liberal governor from Massachusetts," claims his opponents is not of the mainstream of U.S. political thinking.

"I'm a liberal in the tradition of Franklin Roosevelt and Harry Truman and John Kennedy," Dukakis said, "while I am basically a lot more conservative than

George Bush."

"I've cut taxes five times in the past six years," Dukakis told a television interviewer. He said Bush, "has never participated in a balanced federal budget."

Commenting on Bush's vow to avoid any tax increases to cut the budget deficit, a supporter of the vice-president, Senate Republican leader Robert Dole, said the pledge might be tough to keep.

But Bush told reporters: "I'm just going to do my best." He added that Dole "knows what I've said and what I believe. First I've to win this election."

Dukakis has said he would seek a tax increase only as a last resort.

The Massachusetts governor's acknowledgement of his liberal links, which first surfaced Sunday during a train tour of central California, stems from campaign information suggesting that elderly people — a powerful voting bloc — view liberal social policies favourably.

"I'm not going to let the Republican Party pervert that word and give it a meaning it doesn't have," Dukakis said of the term "liberal" which he was dodging in interviews only a few days ago.

Dukakis, buoyed by polls showing him cutting into his rival's lead in key battleground states, planned to campaign in California and Wisconsin Monday.

KARACHI (AP) — Benazir Bhutto, leader of the Pakistan Peoples Party, kicked off her legislative election campaign Sunday with only 17 days to go before the national assembly polls.

"We are going to win," Bhutto told a crowd of supporters in Lyari. "The days of injustice to the poor will end on Nov. 16," the day set for the polls.

The 35-year-old opposition leader is the daughter and political heir of Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, the last freely elected prime minister in Pakistan, who was toppled by late president General Mohammad Zia Ul-Haq in 1977.

The former prime minister, noted on Benazir in the hope that she might one day be the counterpart

to India's late Prime Minister Indira Gandhi.

After her death, Ms. Bhutto denounced Zia's military rule and spent five years in jail or under house arrest before she was allowed to go into self-imposed exile in Europe. She returned in 1986.

Bhutto started her party's campaign Sunday from city's slums of Lyari, which is one of the two election districts from where she is contesting the polls. Her home town of Larkana is the other district from which she is a candidate. But, if elected, she will have to resign from one of the constituencies, according to Pakistani polling rules.

Bhutto also spoke briefly in

several other localities of this city of seven million people before beginning a planned 14-day swing through the southern Sind province and the northern province of Punjab, travelling by train. Numerous speeches on railroad stations are scheduled during this campaign. It will conclude in Lahore Nov. 13.

Bhutto has promised to redistribute four million hectares of state land to landless peasants if she takes power. She also has said that Western-style capitalism is the key to Pakistan's development and that her party will work to attract foreign investment.

Pakistanis will elect 217 members for the national assembly Nov. 16.

Serb protests herald turmoil

SERB sentiments against what is perceived as "Albanisation" of Kosovo have thrown the Yugoslav region into political turmoil.

Tens of thousands of people turned out a series of demonstrations in various towns in the region in late October. These gatherings followed a demonstration by 40,000 Serbs and Montenegrins at

